


**Spencer County Soil & Water Conservation District
Board of Supervisors Meeting
August 28, 2007 - 7:30pm CDT
SWCD Office**

1. Minutes from July's meeting
2. Financial Report
 - ✓ Treasurer's report (Stephanie)
 - ✓ Claims (Stephanie)
3. Old Business
 - ✓ Field Day/Grant (Trish)
 - ✓ Budget Hearing (Stephanie)
4. Items on Hold
 - ✓ FSA Office Closings (Rita)
 - ✓ Resolutions for 2008 Annual Business Meeting (**bring your ideas**) (Trish)
(Resolutions are due by September 7th)
5. New Business
 - ✓ RULE 5 – (8)Evaluations, ()Complaints, ()Reviews
 - ✓ IDEA Fall Workshop (Stephanie)
 - ✓ Spencer County Storm Water Management Policy (Trish)
 - ✓ District Vehicle Proposal (Trish)
 - ✓ River Friendly Farmer Award/Indiana State Fair (Stephanie)
6. Staff & Partner Reports
 - ✓ Trish
 - ✓ Stephanie
 - ✓ Keela
 - ✓ Rita
 -  Conservation plans
7. Other Business
 - ✓ Thank You Letter from John (Stephanie)
 - ✓ Affiliate Member certificate (Stephanie - needs to be signed)

Spencer County Soil & Water Conservation District July Meeting Minutes

The Spencer County Soil & Water Conservation District met on July 23, 2007 at the SWCD office. The following Supervisors and Associates were present: Alan Waninger, Mike Roos, Mark Lubbehusen, Roy Raider, Paul Giles, and Brian Rahman. SWCD staff present were: Stephanie Litherland, Trish Dugas, and John Hurley. Also present were: Spencer County Commissioner, David Gogel.

Mark called the meeting to order at 7:32pm

Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of June 25th and July 9th as mailed. Motion carried.

Stephanie gave financial report- \$32,368.94 - balance. Motion was made and seconded to approve balance as given. Motion carried. Motion was made and seconded to pay the following claims:

Business Equipment District:	\$ 33.58
John Hurley	\$ 46.48
Stephanie Litherland	\$ 86.26
Perry County SWCD	<u>\$309.26</u>
Total	\$495.53

Trish updated the board on the SWCD's website. Website is still in the preliminary stages.

Trish stated that she received the seed packets for wetland grasses. John has been busy putting together the informational packets to pass out. Trish stated that there has been \$210 in cash donations. Paul suggested that Trish should get in touch with Barb Ayer from Water Fowl USA to see about a donation. Paul also suggests that Rita be present as a representative of NRCS and to answer any questions pertaining to WRP. Trish asked if one of the supervisors wanted to introduce the speakers. Mark suggested that Trish or Stephanie do that.

Stephanie and John gave reports on the judging and exhibit at the 4-H Fair.

Trish reminded the board that resolutions were still needed for the 2008 Annual Business Meeting. The board tabled this until the August meeting.

Trish gave reports on Rule 5 reviews on Cedar Ridge Estates and Holiday World & Splashin Safari. Ronnie Boehm has reviewed and both are deficient. Russ Winkler is attempting to comply. Ethanol plant has submitted a Rule 5 also. Trish stated that Cedar Ridge Estates had no clue that they were supposed to submit a Rule 5. Paul suggested that Teresa Cail with the Planning and Zoning Commission and Tom Utter with Lincolnland Economic Development should be made aware of Rule 5. Trish will get information to them. Mark urged Trish to stay on top of Rule 5, and to help Ronnie Boehm when needed.

Trish reported that there had been confusion between her and Mary Lee regarding designs for Scott Singleton. There was a rush put on this design, and with Trish just

coming back from vacation she has been working on our upcoming wetland field day. Mark said the field day was top priority. Mike stated that Trish's job was to design non-program plans. Mark said that when they hired Trish for the position it was understood that the Tech Team would design, and Trish would do construction checks. Mike reminded the board that NRCS is responsible for the designs. Paul stated that if Trish would design, the District doesn't have liability insurance, and she is actually only here to assist NRCS.

Stephanie passed around a thank you letter from RC&D for our donation to the Adventures with Nature field day.

Stephanie passed out information pertaining to a Supervisor's Leadership Training workshop being held August 17th and 18th. At this time no one is interested in attending due to other obligations.

Stephanie reported that the date for the 2008 Budget hearing has been set for Tuesday, August 28th at 10:45am.

Trish, Stephanie, and John gave their monthly reports.

No Conservation Plans.

In Rita's absence, Trish passed around copies of FSA offices being closed and relocated. Mark suggested that at our August meeting Rita explain this then.

Stephanie passed out a letter from Putnam County regarding their increase in rent for next year. This was only informational.

Mark stated that him and Burke attended the CWI meeting in Petersburg and informed the board that most counties were in consensus with not hiring 23 water shed agents. In our area, only Spencer, Warrick, Vanderburgh, Posey, and Knox Counties spoke at the meeting. Stephanie reported that she had been visiting the "comments" page and several counties had responded, but not all 92. If any board member would like to see comments from our area districts, Stephanie has compiled a folder.

Stephanie informed the board that due to money and sodas disappearing, the SWCD would no longer stock the refrigerator.

Stephanie passed out information pertaining to the Farm Bill, and that IASWCD urged the supervisors to email representatives.

Stephanie stated that the audit fee has dropped from \$110 to \$55

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:20pm.